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	16	
Purified Water	q.8 ⁰	
Stearyl Alcohol	75.0	20
Talc	7.5	2
Magnesium Stearate	3.75	1
Total:	375.0	100

*Used in manufacture and remains in final product as residual quantity only.

The tablets of Example 1 are then tested for dissolution via the USP Basket Method, 37°C, 100 RPM, first 10 hour 700 ml gastric fluid at pH 1.2, then changed to 900 ml at 7.5. The results are set forth in Table 2 below:

TABLE 2 Dissolution of Oxycodone 30 mg Controlled Release Tablets

	<u>Time</u>	§ Oxycodone Dissolved
15 .	1	33.1
	2	43.5
	4	58.2
	8	73.2
	12 .	81.8
20	18	85.8
	24	89.2

EXAMPLE 2

Controlled Oxycodone HCl 10 mg

Release Tablets - Organic Manufacture

The required quantities of oxycodone hydrochloride and spray dried lactose are transferred into an appropriate sized mixer and mix for approximately 6 minutes. Approximately 40 percent of the required Eudragit® RS PM 30 powder is dispersed in Ethanol. While the powders are mixing, the powders are granulated with the dispersion and the mixing continued until a moist granular mass is formed. Additional ethanol is added if needed to reach granulation end point. The granulation is transferred to 35 a fluid bed dryer and dried at 30°C; and then passed

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through a 12-mesh screen. The remaining Eudragit® RS PM is dispersed in a solvent of 90 parts ethanol and 10 parts purified water; and sprayed onto the granules in the fluid bed granulator/dryer at 30°C. Next, the granu-5 late is passed through a 12-mesh screen. The required quantity of stearyl alcohol is melted at approximately 60-70°C. The warm granules are returned to the mixer. While mixing, the melted stearyl alcohol is added. The coated granules are removed from the mixer and allowed to Thereafter, they are passed through a 12-mesh screen.

Next, the granulate is lubricated by mixing the required quantities of talc and magnesium stearate in a suitable blender. The granulate is then compressed to 125 mg tablets on a suitable tableting machine.

The formula for the tablets of Example 2 (10 mg controlled release oxycodone) is set forth in Table 3 below: Table 3

Formula of Oxycodone HC1 10 mg Controlled Release Tablets

20			Percent
	Component	Mg/Tablet	(by wt)
	Oxycodone hydrochloride	10.00	8
	Lactose (spray-dried)	71.25	57
	Eudragit® RS PM	15.00	12
25	Ethanol	q.s.*	
	Purified Water	q.s.*	
	Stearyl Alcohol	25.00	20
	Talc	2.50	2
	Magnesium stearate	1.25	_1
30	Total:	125.00 mg	100

*Used only in the manufacture and remains in final product as residual quantity only.

The tablets of Example 2 are then tested for dissolution via USP Basket Method at 37°C, 100 RPM, first

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hour 700 ml simulated gastric (pH 1.2) then changed to 900 ml at pH 7.5.

The results are set forth in Table 4 below:

Table 4

Dissolution of Oxycodone 10 mg

Controlled Release Tablets

		Hour	<u>Representation of the property of the pro</u>
•		1	35.9
		2	47.7
10		4	58.5
10		8	67.7
	•	12	74.5
		18	76.9
		24	81.2

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EXAMPLES 3 - 4

Controlled Release Oxycodone

10 and 20 mg Tablets (Aqueous Manufacture)

Eudragit® RS 30D and Triacetin® are combined while 20 passing though a 60 mesh screen, and mixed under low shear for approximately 5 minutes or until a uniform dispersion is observed.

Next, suitable quantities of Oxycodone HCl, lactose, and povidone are placed into a fluid bed granulator/dryer (FBD) bowl, and the suspension sprayed onto the powder in the fluid bed. After spraying, the granulation is passed through a #12 screen if necessary to reduce lumps. The dry granulation is placed in a mixer.

In the meantime, the required amount of stearyl alcohol is melted at a temperature of approximately 70°C. The melted stearyl alcohol is incorporated into the granulation while mixing. The waxed granulation is transferred to a fluid bed granulator/dryer or trays and allowed to cool to room temperature or below. The cooled 35 granulation is then passed through a #12 screen. There-

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after, the waxed granulation is placed in a mixer/blender and lubricated with the required amounts of talc and magnesium stearate for approximately 3 minutes, and then the granulate is compressed into 125 mg tablets on a 5 suitable tableting machine.

The formula for the tablets of Example 3 is set forth in Table 5 below:

Table 5 Formula of Controlled Release Oxycodone 10 mg Tablet

10	Company	AYACOGOUG TO A	G Tablets
10	Component	Mg/Tablet	%(by wt)
	Oxycodone Hydrochloride	10.0	8.0
	Lactose (spray dried) Povidone	69.25	55.4
		5.0	4.0
15	Eudragit® RS 30D (solids)	10.0*	8.0
15	Triacetine	2.0	1.6
	Stearyl Alcohol Talc	25.0	20.0
		2.5	2.0
	Magnesium Stearate Total:	<u> 1.25</u>	1.0
20		125.0	100.0
20	*Approximately 22 22		

Approximately 33.33 mg Eudragit® RS 30D Aqueous dispersion is equivalent to 10 mg of Eudragit RS 30D dry substance.

The tablets of Example 3 are then tested for dissolution via the USP Basket Method at 37°C, 100 RPM, 25 first hour 700 ml simulated gastric fluid at pH 1.2, then changed to 900 ml at pH 7.5. The results are set forth in Table 6 below:

Table 6

30	Dissolution of Oxycodone 10 mg <u>Controlled Release Tablets</u>			
	Hour	& Oxycodone Dissolved		
	1	38.0		
	2	47.5		
25	4	62.0		
35	8	79.8		

12	91.1
18	94.9
24	98.7

The formula for the tablets of Example 4 is set

5 forth in Table 7 below:

Table 7

	Formula of Controlled Release Ox	<u>ycodone 20 mg Tablets</u>
	Component	Mg/Tablet
	Oxycodone Hydrochloride	20.0
10	Lactose (spray dried)	59.25
-	Povidone	5.0
	Eudragit® RS 30D (solids)	10.0*
	Triacetin ^e	2.0
	Stearyl Alcohol	25.0
15	Talc	2.5
	Magnesium Stearate	1.25
	Total:	125.0

The tablets of Example 4 are then tested for 20 dissolution via the USP Basket Method at 37°C, 100 RPM, first hour 700 ml simulated gastric fluid at pH 1.2, then changed to 900 ml at pH 7.5. The results are set forth in Table 8 below:

Table 8

25	Dissolution of Oxycodone	20 mg Controlled Release Tablets
	Hour	<pre>% Oxycodone Dissolved</pre>
	1	31
	2	44
	4	57
30	8	71
	12	79
	18	86
	24	89

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EXAMPLES 5-6

In Example 5, 30 mg controlled release oxycodone hydrochloride tablets are prepared according to the process set forth in Example 1.

In Example 6, 10 mg controlled release oxycodone hydrochloride tablets are prepared according to the process set forth in Example 2.

Thereafter, dissolution studies of the tablets of Examples 5 and 6 are conducted at different pH levels, namely, pH 1.3, 4.56, 6.88 and 7.5.

The results are provided in Tables 9 and 10 below:

Table 9 - Example 5 Percentage Oxycodone HCl

30 mg Tablets Dissolved Over Time							
Нœ	1	2	4	8	12	18	24
						97.0	
						99.4	
						100.5	
						89.7	

Table 10 - Example 6 Percentage Oxycodone HCl - 10 mg Tablets Dissolved Over Time

25	Ног	1	2	4	8	12	18	24
						85.3		
						88.2		
						81.4		
						75.2		

EXAMPLES 7-12

In Examples 7-12, 4 mg and 10 mg oxycodone HCl tablets were prepared according to the formulations and methods set forth in the assignee's U.S. Patent No. 35 4,990,341.

In Example 7, oxycodone hydrochloride (10.00 gm) was wet granulated with lactose monohydrate (417.5 gm) and hydroxyethyl cellulose (100.00 gm), and the granules were sieved through a 12 mesh screen. The granules were then 5 dried in a fluid bed dryer at 50°C and sieved through a 16 mesh screen.

Molten cetostearyl alcohol (300.0 gm) was added to the warmed oxycodone containing granules, and the whole was mixed thoroughly. The mixture was allowed to cool in the air, regranulated and sieved through a 16 mesh screen.

Purified Talc (15.0 gm) and magnesium stearate (7.5 gm) were then added and mixed with the granules. The granules were then compressed into tablets.

Example 8 is prepared in the same manner as Example 7; however, the formulation includes 10 mg oxycodone HCl/tablet. The formulas for Examples 7 and 8 are set forth in Tables 11 and 12, respectively.

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Table 11

Formula	tion of Example	<u>7</u>
<u>Ingredient</u>	mq/tablet	g/batch
Oxycodone hydrochloride	4.0	10.0
Lactose monohydrate	167.0	417.5
Hydroxyethylcellulose	40.0	100.0
Cetostearyl alcohol	120.0	300.0
Purified talc	6.0	15.0
Magnesium stearate	3.0	7.5

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Table 12

Formula	tion of Example 8	
<u>Ingredient</u>	mg/tablet	g/batch
Oxycodone hydrochloride	10.0	25.0
Lactose monohydrate	167.0	417.5
Hydroxyethylcellulose	40.0	100.0

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Cetostearyl alcohol	120.0	300.0
Talc	6.0	15.0
Magnesium stearate	3.0	7.5

In Example 9, 4 mg oxycodone HCl controlled release tablets are prepared according to the excipient formula cited in Example 2 of U.S. Patent No. 4,990,341. The method of manufacture is the same as set forth in Examples 7 and 8 above. Example 10 is prepared according to 10 Example 9, except that 10 mg oxycodone HCl is included per tablet. The formulas for Examples 9 and 10 are set forth in Tables 13 and 14, respectively.

Table 13

	Formulation of Example 9							
15	<u>Ingredient</u>	mq/tablet	g/batch					
	Oxycodone hydrochloride	4.0	10.0					
	Anhydrous Lactose	167.0	417.5					
	Hydroxyethylcellulose	30.0	75.0					
	Cetostearyl alcohol	90.0	225.0					
20	Talc	6.0	· 15.0					
	Magnesium stearate .	3.0	7.5					

Table 14

rormulation of Example 14

25	<u>Ingredient</u>	mg/tablet	g/batch
	Oxycodone hydrochloride	10.0	25.0
	Hydrous lactose	167.0	417.5
	Hydroxyethylcellulose	30.0	75.0
	Cetostearyl alcohol	90.0	225.0
30	Talc	6.0	15.0
	Magnesium stearate	3.0	7.5

In Example 11, oxycodone 4 mg controlled release tablets are prepared with the same excipient formula 35 cited in Example 3 of U.S. patent No. 4,990,341.

Oxycodone hydrochloride (32.0 gm) was wet granulated with lactose monohydrate (240.0 gm) hydroxyethyl cellulose (80.0 gm) and methacrylic acid copolymer (240.0 gm, Eudragit* L-100-55), and the granules were sieved through 5 a 12 mesh screen. The granules were then dried in a Fluid Bed Dryer at 50° C and passed through a 16 mesh screen.

The warmed oxycodone containing granules was added molten cetostearyl alcohol (240.0 gm), and the whole was 10 mixed thoroughly. The mixture was allowed to cool in the air, regranulated and sieved through a 16 mesh screen. The granules were then compressed into tablets.

Example 12 is prepared in identical fashion to Example 11, except that 10 mg oxycodone HCl is included 15 per tablet. The formulations for Examples 11 and 12 are set forth in Tables 15 and 16, respectively.

Table 15 Formulation of Example 11

	<u>Ingredient</u>	mg/tabl	et g/batch
20	Oxycodone hydrochloride	4.0	32.0
	Lactose monohydrate	30.0	240.5
	Hydroxyethylcellulose	10.0	80.0
	Methacrylic acid copolymer	30.0	240.0
	Cetostearyl alcohol	30.0	240.0

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Table 16 Formulation of Example 12

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	Ingredient	mg/tablet	g/batch
	Oxycodone hydrochloride	10.0	80.0
30	Lactose monohydrate	30.0	240.5
	Hydroxyethylcellulose	10.0	80.0
	Methacrylic acid copolymer	30.0	240.0
	Cetostearyl alcohol	30.0	240.0

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Next, dissolution studies were conducted on the tablets of Examples 7-12 using the USP basket method as described in the U.S. Pharmacopoeia XXII (1990). The speed was 100 rpm, the medium was simulated gastric fluid for the first hour followed by simulated intestinal fluid thereafter, at a temperature of 37° C. Results are given in Table 17.

TABLE 17

10	10 <u>DISSOLUTION STUDIES OF EXAMPLES 7-12</u>						
	Time		*	Oxycodo	ne Dissolv	ed.	
	(hrs)	Ex. 7	Ex. 8	Ex. 9	Ex. 10	Ex. 11	Ex. 12
	1	23.3	25.5	28.1	29.3	31.3	40.9
	2	35.6	37.5	41.5	43.2	44.9	55.6
15	4	52.9	56.4	61.2	63.6	62.1	74.2
	8	75.3	79.2	83.7	88.0	82.0	93.9
	12	90.7	94.5	95.2	100.0	91.4	100.0

EXAMPLES 13-16

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Clinical Studies

In Examples 13-16, randomized crossover bioavailability studies were conducted employing the formulation of Examples 2 (organic manufacture) and 3 (aqueous manufacture) .

In Example 13, a single dose fast/fed study was conducted on 24 subjects with oxycodone tablets prepared according to Example 3.

In Example 14, a steady-state study was conducted on 23 subjects after 12 hours with oxycodone tablets pre-30 pared according to Example 2, and compared to a 5 mg oxycodone immediate-release solution.

In Example 15, a single dose study was conducted on 22 subjects using oxycodone tablets prepared according to Example 3, and compared to a 20 mg oxycodone immediate 35 release solution.

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In Example 16, a 12 subject single-dose study was conducted using 3 x 10 mg oxycodone tablets prepared according to Example 3, and compared to a 30 mg oxycodone immediate release solution.

The results of Examples 13-16 are set forth in Table 18.

			Table 18		
			AUC	Cmax	Tmax
	Example	Dosage	ng/ml/hr	ng/ml	hr
10	13	10 mg CR Fast	63	6.1	3.8
10		10 mg CR Fed	68	7.1	3.6
	14	5 mg IR q6h	· 121	17	1.2
	27	10 mg CR q12h	130	17	3.2
	15	20 mg IR	188	40	1.4
15		2 x 10 mg CR	197	18	2.6
13	16	30 mg IR	306	53	1.2
	10	3 x 10 mg CR	350	35	2.6
		30 mg CR	352	36	2.9

IR denotes immediate-release oxycodone solution.

20 CR denotes controlled-release tablets

RYAMPLE 17 CLINICAL STUDIES

In Example 17, a single dose, double blind, random-25 ized study determined the relative analgesic efficacy, the acceptability, and relative duration of action of an oral administration of controlled release oxycodone 10, 20 and 30 mg prepared according to the present invention (CR OXY) compared to immediate release oxycodone 15 mg 30 (IR OXY), immediate release oxycodone 10 mg in combination with acetaminophen 650 mg (IR OXY/APAP) and placebo in 180 patients with moderate or severe pain following abdominal or gynecological surgery. Patients rated their pain intensity and pain relief hourly for up to 12 hours postdosing. Treatments were compared using standard

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scales for pain intensity and relief, and onset and duration of pain relief.

All active treatments were significantly superior to placebo for many of the hourly measures, and for sum pain 5 intensity differences (SPID) and total pain relief (TOTPAR). A dose response was seen among the 3 dose levels of CR OXY for pain relief and peak pain intensity difference (PID), with CR OXY 20mg and 30 mg being significantly better than the 10 mg dose. IR OXY was significantly superior to CR OXY 10 mg at hr 1 and 2. IR OXY/APAP was significantly superior to the 3 doses of CR OXY at hr 1, and to CR OXY 10 mg at hrs 2 through 5. Onset time was significantly shorter for the IR OXY and IR OXY/APAP treatment groups in comparison to the 3 CR 15 OXY treatments. The distribution functions for duration of relief revealed significantly longer duration of relief for the three CR OXY doses than for IR OXY and IR OXY/APAP. No serious adverse experiences were reported. The results are more particularly reported in Table 19 20 below.

TABLE 19 PATIENT DISPOSITION TREATMENT GROUP

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		IR	YXC		CR	OXY-		
		15mg	PLACEBO	10mg	20mg	30mg	2 PERC*	TOTAL
30	Enrolled and Randomized to Study Treatment	31	31	30	30	30	30	182
35	Entered the Study Treat- ment Phase	_31	31	30	30	30	30	182
	Completed the Study	31	30	30	30	30	30	181

Discontinued from the Study Excluded from Efficacy Analysis -Vomited prior to 1 hr post dose 0 10 -Inadvertently received rescue during study 15 Analysis Population: -Evaluable for Safety and 180 30 30 30 30 Efficacy 20 -Evaluable for 30 30 30 30 <u>Safety</u>

* 2 tablets of Percocet*

The time-effect curves for pain intensity, pain intensity differences and pain relief are shown in Figures 1-4. CR OXY 10 mg had significantly (p < .05)lower pain intensity scores than the placebo-treated patients at hours 3-11 and lower pain scores than IR OXY 15 mg and Percocet® at hour 10. CR OXY 20 mg has significantly (p < .05) lower pain intensity scores compared to placebo at hours 2 - 11 and significantly (p < .05) lower pain scores than CR OXY 10 mg, IR OXY 15 mg and 35 Percocet at hours 9-11. CR OXY 30 mg had significantly (p < .05) lower pain scores than placebo at hours 2-11 and lower pain scores than CR OXY 10 mg at hours 2, 3, and 5 and lower scores than Percocet® at hour 10.

For hourly pain relief scores categorical and visual analog scales (CAT and VAS), CR OXY 10 mg had significantly (p < .05) higher pain relief scores than placebo at hours 3-11 and higher relief scores than IR OXY and Percocet® at hour 10 (and Percocet® at hour 11). CR OXY

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20 mg had significantly (p < .05) higher relief scores than placebo at hours 2-12 and higher relief scores than Percocet® at hours 9-12. In addition, CR OXY had significantly (p < .05) higher pain relief than IR OXY at 5 hours 10-12. CR OXY 30 mg had significantly (p < .05) higher pain relief scores than placebo at hours 2-12 and higher scores than Percocet® at hours 9-12 and IR OXY 15 mg at hour 10.

Each treatment group was significantly (p < .05) better than placebo with respect to the sum of the pain intensity differences (SPID) and total pain relief (TOTPAR) .

Duration of pain relief as measured by the patient stopwatch method showed that CR OXY 10 mg, 20 mg and 30 mg had significantly (p < .05) longer duration of action compared to IR OXY 15 mg and 2 tablets Percocete. In addition, the three controlled-release formulations had significantly (p < .05) longer times to remedication compared to Percocets.

Before remedication, a total of 104 (57%) of patients reported 120 adverse experiences. The most common were somnolence, fever, dizziness and headache.

Based upon the results of this study it is concluded that the controlled release oxycodone formulations of the present invention relieve moderate to severe postoperative pain, e.g., due to abdominal or gynecological surgery in women. There is a dose response noted in which placebo < 10 mg < 20 mg < 30 mg CR OXY following a single dose. Onset of action occurred in one hour with peak effects noted from 2 to 5 hours and a duration of effect from 10 to 12 hours. In the chronic pain situation steady state dosing may prolong this effect. Side effects are expected and easily managed. Headache may be related to dose. Dizziness and somnolence were reported.

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IR OXY 15 mg has an intermediate peak effect compared to controlled release oxycodone. Its duration of action is shorter (6-8 hours). Percocet® is quite effective in terms of onset, peak effect and safety. The 5 duration of action is 6-8 hours.

In summary, CR OXY was clearly an effective oral analgesic, with a slower onset but a longer duration of effect than either IR OXY or IR OXY/APAP.

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EXAMPLE 18

CLINICAL STUDIES

. In Example 18, a steady state crossover trial was conducted in 21 normal male subjects comparing

- CR OXY 10 mg administered every 12 hours a. (q12h); and
- Roxicodone® oral solution 5 mg (ROX) b. administered every 6 hours (q6h),

Treatment (b) was the study reference standard. The average age was 34 years, height 176 cm and weight 75 kg. 20 No unusual features were noted about the group.

Figure 5 shows the mean plasma oxycodone concentrations for the two formulations over the 12 hour dosing interval. The results are summarized in Table 18 in terms of mean values, ratios of mean values and 90% 25 confidence intervals.

As inspection of Table 18 reveals, with one exception, no significant differences were detected between the two formulations. The single exception is the mean t_{max} for CR OXY of 3.18 hours which, as expected for a 30 controlled release formulation, significantly exceeded the ROX mean of 1.38 hours. Mean AUC-based bicavailability, (ROX = 100%) was 104.4% with 90% confidence limits of 90.9 to 117.9%. Thus, the FDA specification of ±20% is met so that the study results support an 35 assertion of equal oxycodone availability.

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TABLE 20

SUMMARY OF PHARMACOKINETIC PARAMETERS FOR OXYCODONE FOLLOWING A SINGLE DOSE OF CR OXY (10mg q12H) AND ROXICODONE® ORAL SOLUTION (5mg q6h)

OXY/ ROXICODONE ROXI 90% CI* SOLUTION (%) CR OXY PARAMETER 10 (ng/mL) ARITH. MEAN(SD) 15.11(4.69) 15.57(4.41) 97.08 85.59-108.50 GEOMETRIC MEAN 14.43 C_{min} (ng/mL) ARITH.MEAN(SD) 6.24(2.64) (ng/mL) 6.47(3.07) 96.41 15 112.74 GEOMETRIC MEAN 5.62 (hrs) ARITH.MEAN 160.71-1.38(0.71) * 230.17 298.71 (SD) 3.18(2.21)20 AUC(0-12 hrs) 90.92-ARITH. 103.50(40.03) 99.10(35.04) 104.44 117.94 MEAN (SD) GEOMETRIC 93,97 103.29 25 MEAN 97.06 **\Swing** 62.06~ ARITH MEAN 134.92 <u> 176.36(139.0) 179.0(124.25)</u> (SD) %Fluctuation 76.81-ARITH. 30 117.75 (52.47) 92.22 107.57 108.69(38.77) MEAN (SD) End Point , 117.77-ARITH. MEAN (SD) -1.86(2.78)-1.86(2.19) 99.97 90% Confidence Interval 35 --Significant Difference p < 0.05

EXAMPLE 19

CLINICAL STUDIES

In Example 19, twenty-four normal, healthy male sub-40 jects were enrolled in a randomized single-dose two-way crossover study to compare the plasma oxycodone concentrations obtained after dosing with two controlledrelease oxycodone 10 mg tablets versus 20 mg (20 ml of 5 45 mg/5 ml) of immediate release (IR) oxycodone hydrochloride solution. Twenty-three subjects completed the study and were eligible for analysis.

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Plasma oxycodone concentrations were determined by a high performance liquid chromatographic procedure. Arithmetic Mean C_{max} , t_{max} , AUC, and half-lives calculated from individual plasma oxycodone concentration-versus-time 5 data are set forth in Table 21:

Reference Pharmaco- Product kinetic IR Oxycodone Parameter 20 mg		TABLE 21 Test Product CR Oxyco 2 x 10 m	90% Confidence Interval	
C _{max} (ng/ml)	41.60	18.62	44.75	32.5- 57.0
t _{max} (hours)	1.30	2.62	200.83	169.8- 232.6
AUC (0-36)	194.35	199.62	102.71	89.5 - 115.9
(mg x hr/r AUC (0-∞) (ng x hr/r	194.38	208.93	107.49	92.9- 121.9
t _{is (elim)} (hrs)	3.21	7.98*	249.15	219.0- 278.8
t (abs) (hrs)	0.35	0.92*	264.17	216.0- 310.7

Oral bioavailability (CR oxycodone 2 x 10 mg/IR oxycodone 20 mg) Statistically significant (p = 0.0001) 40

For C_{\max} , t_{\max} , $t_{\% \, (elim)}$ and $t_{\% \, (abe)}$ there were statistically significant differences between the CR OXY and IR OXY. There were no statistically significant 45 differences between the two treatments in the extent of absorption [AUC (0,36), AUC (0,∞). The 90% confidence

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interval for CR OXY relative to IR OXY relative was 89.5% - 115.9% for AUC (0,36) and 92.9% - 121.9% for AUC $(0,\infty)$. Based on the 90% confidence interval analysis, the controlled-release oxycodone tablets were equivalent in extent of absorption (AUC 0,36) to the immediate-release oxycodone solution. The controlled-release oxycodone absorption was slower by approximately 1.3 hours. No statistically significant differences were noted between . the two treatments with reference to adverse experiences, none of which were considered clinically unusual for opiates for this type of study.

The above studies demonstrate a significant dose-response relationship utilizing the controlled release oxycodone formulations of the present invention at dosages of 10, 20 and 30 mg which does not deviate from parallelism with dose-response slopes for MS Contin in similarly designed well-controlled analgesic efficacy studies of MS Contin reported by Kaiko R.S., Van Wagoner D., Brown J., et al., "Controlled-Release Oral Morphine (MS Contine Tablets, MSC) in Postoperative Pain.", Pain Suppl., 5:S149 1990, who compared 30, 60, 90, and 120 mg of MS Contin as compared with 10 mg of intramuscular morphine and placebo and Bloomfield, et al., "Analgesic Efficacy and Potency of Two Oral Controlled-Release Morphine Preparations", Clinical Pharmacology & Therapeutics, (in press), who compared 30 and 90 mg of MS Contin as compared to 30 and 90 mg of another controlled-release oral morphine preparation, Oramorph SR 30 mg tablets.

The examples provided above are not meant to be exclusive. Many other variations of the present invention would be obvious to those skilled in the art, and are contemplated to be within the scope of the appended claims.

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WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

- A method for substantially reducing the range in daily dosages required to control pain in human patients, comprising administering an oral controlled 5 release dosage formulation comprising from about 10 to about 40 mg oxycodone or a salt thereof which provides a mean maximum plasma concentration of oxycodone from about 6 to about 60 ng/ml from a mean of about 2 to about 4.5 hours after administration, and a mean minimum plasma 10 concentration from about 3 to about 30 ng/ml from a mean of about 10 to about 14 hours after repeated administration every 12 hours through steady-state conditions.
- A method for substantially reducing the range 15 in daily dosages required to control pain in substantially all human patients, comprising administering an oral solid controlled release dosage formulation comprising from about 10 mg to about 160 mg oxycodone or a salt thereof which provides a mean maximum plasma concentra-20 tion of oxycodone up to about 240 ng/ml from a mean of up to about 2 to about 4.5 hours after administration, and a mean minimum plasma concentration up to about 120 ng/ml from a mean of about 10 to about 14 hours after repeated administration every 12 hours through steady-state 25 conditions.
- A controlled release oxycodone formulation for oral administration to human patients, comprising from about 10 to about 40 mg oxycodone or a salt thereof, said 30 formulation providing a mean maximum plasma concentration of oxycodone from about 6 to about 60 ng/ml from a mean of about 2 to about 4.5 hours after administration, and a mean minimum plasma concentration from about 3 to about 30 ng/ml from a mean of about 10 to about 14 hours after

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repeated administration every 12 hours through steadystate conditions.

- A controlled release oxycodone formulation for 5 oral administration to human patients, comprising from about 10 mg to about 160 mg oxycodone or a salt thereof, said formulation providing a mean maximum plasma concentration of oxycodone from about 6 to about 240 ng/ml from a mean of about 2 to about 4.5 hours after administra-10 tion, and a mean minimum plasma concentration from about 3 to about 120 ng/ml from a mean of about 10 to about 14 hours after repeated administration every 12 hours through steady-state conditions.
- A solid controlled release oral dosage form, 5. 15 comprising
 - (a) oxycodone or a salt thereof in an amount from about 10 to about 160 mg;
 - (b) an effective amount of a controlled release matrix selected from the group consisting of hydrophilic polymers, hydrophobic polymers, digestible substituted or unsubstituted hydrocarbons having from about 8 to about 50 carbon atoms, polyalkylene glycols, and mixtures of any of the foregoing; and
 - (c) a suitable amount of a suitable pharmaceutical diluent, wherein said composition provides a mean maximum plasma concentration of oxycodone from about 6 to about 240 ng/ml from a mean of about 2 to about 4.5 hours after administration, and a mean minimum plasma concentration from about 3 to about 120 ng/ml from a mean of about 10 to about 14 hours after repeated administration every 12 hours through steady-state conditions.

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- The controlled release composition of claim 5, wherein said controlled release matrix comprises an acrylic resin.
- A solid controlled release oral dosage form, 5 comprising
 - (a) an analgesically effective amount of spheroids comprising oxycodone or a salt thereof and either a spheronising agent or an acrylic polymer or copolymer, such that the total dosage of oxycodone in said dosage form is from about 10 to about 160 mg;
- (b) a film coating which controls the release of the oxycodone or oxycodone salt at a controlled rate in an aqueous medium, wherein said composition provides 15 an in vitro dissolution rate of the dosage form;

said composition providing a mean maximum plasma concentration of oxycodone from about 6 to about 240 ng/ml from a mean of about 2 to about 4.5 hours after administration, and a mean minimum plasma concentration 20 from about 3 to about 30 ng/ml from a mean of about 10 to about 14 hours after repeated administration every 12 hours through steady-state conditions.

- The controlled release composition of claim 7, 25 wherein said film coating comprises a water insoluble material selected from the group consisting of shellac or zein, a water insoluble cellulose, or a polymethacrylate.
- A controlled release tablet for oral adminis-30 tration comprising from about 10 to about 160 mg oxycodone or an oxycodone salt dispersed in a controlled release matrix, said tablet providing an in-vitro dissolution of the dosage form, when measured by the USP Paddle Method at 100 rpm at 900 ml aqueous buffer (pH 35 between 1.6 and 7.2) at 37° C, between 12.5% and 42.5%

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(by wt) oxycodone released after 1 hour, between 25% and 55% (by wt) oxycodone released after 2 hours, between 45% and 75% (by wt) oxycodone released after 4 hours and between 55% and 85% (by wt) oxycodone released after 6 5 hours, the in vitro release rate being substantially independent of pH and chosen such that a mean maximum plasma concentration of oxycodone from about 6 to about 240 ng/ml is obtained in vivo from a mean of about 2 to about 4.5 hours after administration of the dosage form, 10 and a mean minimum plasma concentration from about 3 to about 30 ng/ml from a mean of about 10 to about 14 hours after repeated administration every 12 hours through steady-state conditions.

- 10. A dosage form according to claim 9, wherein the 15 in vitro dissolution rate is between 17.5% and 38% (by wt) oxycodone released after 1 hour, between 30% and 50% (by wt) oxycodone released after 2 hours, between 50% and 70% (by wt) oxycodone released after 4 hours and between 60% and 80% (by wt) oxycodone released after 6 hours.
- 11. A dosage form according to claim 9, wherein the in vitro dissolution rate is between 17.5% and 32.5% (by wt) oxycodone released after 1 hour, between 35% and 45% 25 (by wt) oxycodone released after 2 hours, between 55% and 65% (by wt) oxycodone released after 4 hours and between 65% and 75% (by wt) oxycodone released after 6 hours.

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ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A method for substantially reducing the range in daily dosages required to control pain in approximately 90% of patients is disclosed whereby an oral solid 5 controlled release dosage formulation having from about 10 to about 40 mg of oxycodone or a salt thereof is administered to a patient. The formulation provides a mean maximum plasma concentration of oxycodone from about 6 to about 60 ng/ml from a mean of about 2 to about 4.5 10 hours after administration, and a mean minimum plasma concentration from about 3 to about 30 ng/ml from about 10 to about 14 hours after repeated "q12h" (i.e., every 12 hour) administration through steady-state conditions. Another embodiment is directed to a method for substan-15 tially reducing the range in daily dosages required to control pain in substantially all patients by administering an oral solid controlled release dosage formulation comprising up to about 160 mg of oxycodone or a salt thereof, such that a mean maximum plasma concen-20 tration of oxycodone up to about 240 ng/ml from a mean of up to about 2 to about 4.5 hours after administration, and a mean minimum plasma concentration up to about 120 ng/ml from about 10 to about 14 hours after repeated "q12h" (i.e., every 12 hour) administration through steady-state conditions are achieved. Controlled release oxycodone formulations for achieving the above are also disclosed.

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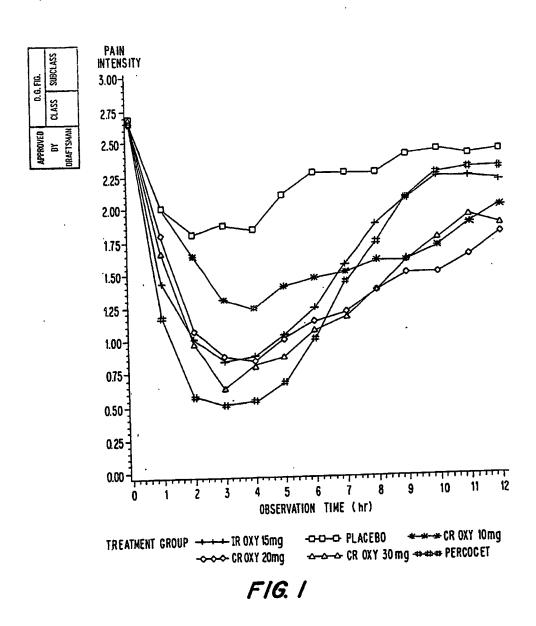
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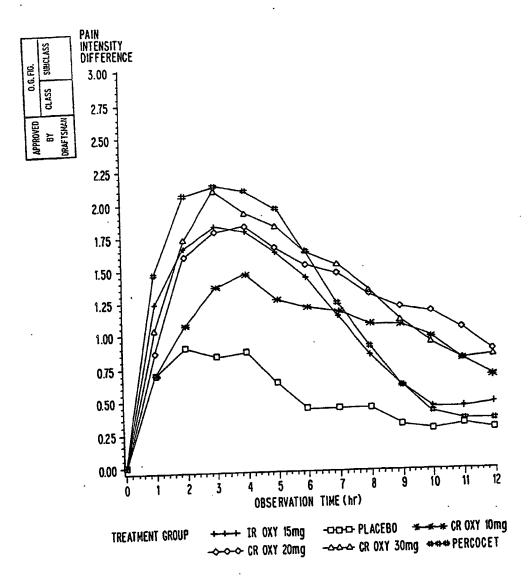
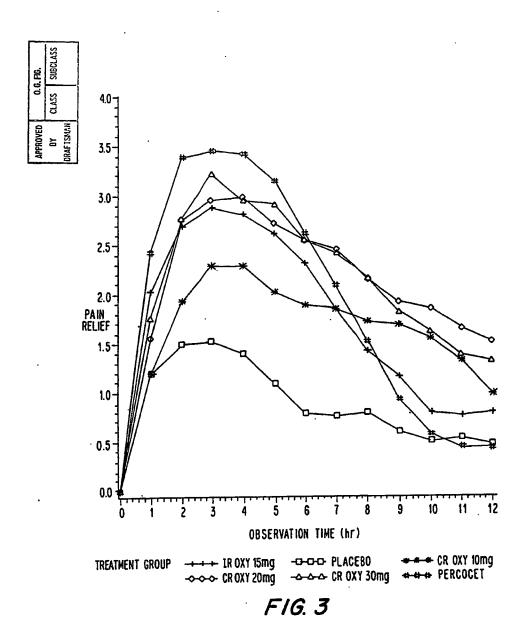


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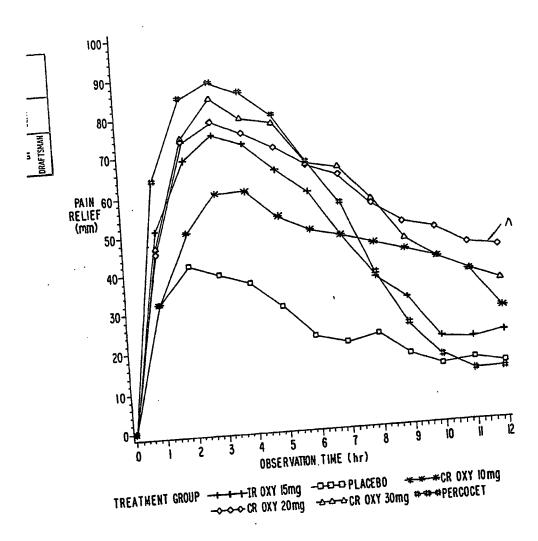
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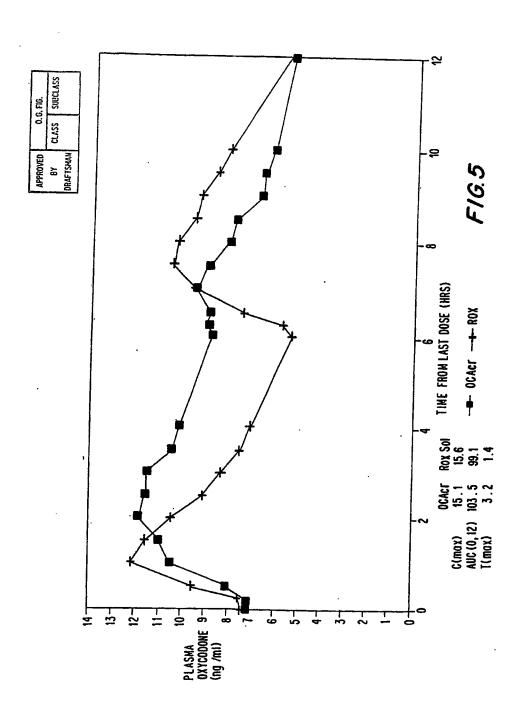
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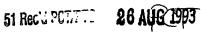
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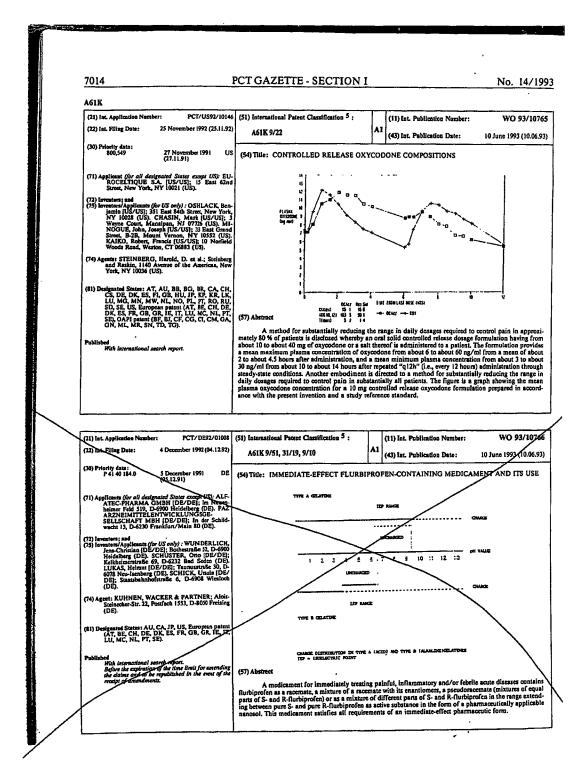
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Restriction to one of the following inventions is required under 35 U.S.C. § 121:

- I. Claims 1-2, drawn to method, classified in Class 514, subclass 282.
- II. Claims 3-11, drawn to composition, classified in Class 424, subclass 464.

The inventions are distinct, each from the other because of the following reasons:

Inventions II and I are related as product and process of use. The inventions can be shown to be distinct if either or both of the following can be shown: (1) the process for using the product as claimed can be practiced with another materially different product or (2) the product as claimed can be used in a materially different process of using that product (M.P.E.P. § 806.05(h)). In the instant case the process as claimed can be practiced with another materially different product such as an injectable gel.

Because these inventions are distinct for the reasons given above and have acquired a separate status in the art as shown by their different classification, restriction for examination purposes as indicated is proper.

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Should group II be elected, the following election of one of species a)-d) rejected below is required.

This application contains claims directed to the following patentably distinct species of the claimed invention:

- the composition of claims 3, 4
- the composition of claims 5, 6 b١
- the composition of claims 7, 8
- the composition of claims 9, 10 and 11. d)

Applicant is required under 35 U.S.C. § 121 to elect a single disclosed species for prosecution on the merits to which the claims shall be restricted if no generic claim is finally held to be allowable. Currently, a solid oral dosage form is generic.

Applicant is advised that a response to this requirement must include an identification of the species that is elected consonant with this requirement, and a listing of all claims readable thereon, including any claims subsequently added. An argument that a claim is allowable or that all claims are generic is considered nonresponsive unless accompanied by an election.

Upon the allowance of a generic claim, applicant will be entitled to consideration of claims to additional species which are written in dependent form or otherwise include all the limitations of an allowed generic claim as provided by 37 C.F.R. § 1.141. If claims are added after the election, applicant must indicate which are readable upon the elected species. M.P.E.P. § 809.02(a).

Should applicant traverse on the ground that the species are not patentably distinct, applicant should submit evidence or identify such evidence now of record showing the species to be obvious variants or clearly admit on the record that this is the

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case. In either instance, if the examiner finds one of the inventions unpatentable over the prior art, the evidence or admission may be used in a rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 103 of the other invention.

Applicant is advised that the response to this requirement to be complete must include an election of the invention to be examined even though the requirement be traversed.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Edward J. Webman whose telephone number is (703) 308-4432.

EDWARD J. WEBMAN PRIMARY EXAMINER GROUP 1500

Edward J. Webman:cb April 6, 1994



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CONTROLLED RELEASE OXYCODONE COMPOSITIONS

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Hon. Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231

May 11, 1994

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In response to the Restriction Requirement dated April 11, 1994, applicants hereby elect to prosecute Group II (claims 3-11), drawn to the composition, classified in Class 424, Subclass 464.

In the Restriction Requirement, the Examiner further required an election of one of species (a)-(d). Applicants hereby elect the "species" (d), in other words, the composition of claims 9, 10 and 11. This election is also made with traverse.

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With regard to the Restriction Requirement, the Examiner states that inventions of Groups I (claims 1-2 drawn to the method) and II (claims 3-11 drawn to the composition) are distinct because "in the instant case the process as claimed can be practiced with another material different product such as an injectable gel".

In this case, it is respectfully submitted that the Examiner has failed to recognize the fact that claims 1 and 2 both specify that the method is related to administering an oral controlled release dosage formulation. Further, the composition of Group II are also only for oral administration. Therefore, to state that the process can be practiced with a materially different product as an injectable gel is simply not understood. In view of this fact, it is respectfully submitted that the restriction requirement has been overcome and should now be removed.

The Examiner's requirement of an election is also not understood. The subject matter of claims 3-11 is a controlled release oxycodone formulation which provides specified mean maximum plasma concentrations and mean minimum plasma concentrations for a given dosage range at a given range of time periods. It is not understood why an election is necessary. In view of this fact, the Examiner's election requirement is also traversed and it is requested that the Examiner remove this requirement.

hn early and favorable action on the merits is earnestly solicited.

If the Examiner would consider it beneficial to further discuss any aspect of this response or of the restriction requirement, then the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number provided below.

Respectfully submitted,

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Applicant's election with traverse of claims 9, 10, 11 in Paper No. 5 is acknowledged. The traversal is on the ground(s) that the method requires oral administration. This is not found persuasive because the method of use is to reduce pain, not necessarily by oral administration. The election is over various species of formulations: an unspecified formulation, e.g., a solution, an unspecified solid, a coated spheroid, and a table.

The requirement is still deemed proper and is therefore made FINAL.

The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. § 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

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therefore, subject to the conditions and requirements of this title".

Claims 9-11 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by 4,990,341.

Applicants disclose that 4,990,341 teaches opoid analgesics with the claimed rate of release (page 2, lines 8-20). Table's are disclosed (example 1 in '341).

No claims allowed.

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drawings when necessary. Corrected drawings must be submitted	8. ARRANGEMENT OF VIEWS. 37 CFR 1.84(i)
according to the instructions on the back of this Notice.	View placed upon another view or within outline of another.
	Fig(s)
 DRAWINGS. 37 CFR 1.84(a): Acceptable categories of drawings: 	Words do not appear in a horizontal, left-to-right fushion when
Black ink. Color.	page is either upright or turned so that the top becomes the right
Not black solid lines. Fig(s)	side, except for graphs. Fig(s)
 Color drawings are not acceptable until petition is granted. 	
	9. SCALE, 37 CFR 1.84(k)
2. PHOTOGRAPHS. 37 CFR 1.84(b)	Scale not large enough to show mechanism without crowding
Photographs are not acceptable until petition is granted.	when drawing is reduced in size to two-thirds in reproduction.
	Fig(s)
3. GRAPHIC FORMS. 37 CFR 1.84 (d)	Indication such as "actual size" or "scale 1/2" not permitted.
Chemical or mathematical formula not labeled as separate figure.	Fig(s)
Fig(s)	Elements of same view not in proportion to each other.
Group of waveforms not presented as a single figure, using	Fig(s)
common vertical axis with time extending along horizontal axis.	<u>-,,, </u>
Fig(s)	10. CHARACTER OF LINES, NUMBERS, & LETTERS. 37 CFR 1.84(I)
Individuals waveform not identified with a separate letter	Lines, numbers & letters not uniformly thick and well defined,
designation adjacent to the vertical axis. Fig(s)	clean, durable, and black (except for color drawings).
	Fig(s)
4. TYPE OF PAPER. 37 CFR 1.84(e)	* 'b\"/
Paper not flexible, strong, white, smooth, nonshiny, and durable.	11. SHADING. 37 CFR 1.84(m)
Sheet(s)	11. Shading used for other than shape of spherical, cylindrical, and
	conical elements of an object, or for flat parts.
and folds not allowed. Sheet(s)	Fig(s)
5. SIZE OF PAPER. 37 CFR 1.84(f): Acceptable paper sizes:	Solid black shading areas not permitted. Fig(s)
21.6 cm. by 35.6 cm. (8 1/2 by 14 inches)	2010 Oleck Streeting areas 150 beautiful. 1. Post
21.6 cm. by 33.1 cm. (8 1/2 by 13 inches)	
21.6 cm. by 27.9 cm. (8 1/2 by 11 inches)	12. NUMBERS, LETTERS, & REFERENCE CHARACTERS. 37 CFR
21.0 cm. by 29.7 cm. (OIN size A4)	1.84(p)
All drawing sheets not the same size. Sheet(s)	Numbers and reference characters not plain and legible. 37 CFR
Drawing sheet not an acceptable size. Sheet(s)	1.84(p)(1) Fig(s)
	hrackets, inverted commas, or enclosed within outlines. 37 CFR
MARGINS. 37 CFR 1.84(g): Acceptable margins:	1.84(p)(l) Flg(s)
Paper size	Numbers and reference characters not oriented in same direction as
21.6 cm X 35.6 cm, 21.6 cm, X 33.1 cm, 21 cm, X 27.9 cm, 21 cm, X 29.7 cm.	the view. 37 CFR 1.84(p)(i) Fig(s)
[(8 1/2 X 14 inches) (8 1/2 X 13 inches) (8 1/2 X 11 inches) (UIN Size A4)	English alphabet not used. 37 CFR 1.84(p)(2)
T 5,1 cm. (2") 2.5 cm. (1") 2.5 cm. (1") 2.5 cm.	Fig(s)
L64 cm. (1/4") .64 cm. (1/4") .64 cm. (1/4") 2.5 cm. R64 cm. (1/4") .64 cm. (1/4") 1.5 cm.	Numbers, letters, and reference characters do not measure at least
B .64 cm. (1/4") .64 cm. (1/4") .64 cm. (1/4") 1.0 cm.	.32 cm. (1/8 inch) in height. 37 CFR(p)(3)
Margins do not conform to chart above.	Fig(s)
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Top (I) Left (L)Right (R)Bottom (B)	13. LEAD LINES. 37 CFR 1.84(q)
7. VIEWS. 37 CFR 1.84(h)	Lead lines cross each other. Fig(s)
REMINDER: Specification may require revision to correspond to	Lead lines missing. Fig(s)
drawing changes.	Lead lines not as short as possible. Fig(s)
All views not grouped together. Fig(s)	
Views connected by projection lines. Fig(s)	 NUMBERING OF SHEETS OF DRAWINGS. 37 CFR 1.84(t)
Views contain center lines. Fig(s)	Number appears in top margin. Fig(s)
Partial views, 37 CFR 1.84(h)(2)	Number not larger than reference characters.
Separate sheets not linked edge to edge.	Fig(s)
Fig(s)	Sheets not numbered consecutively, and in Arabic numerals,
View and enlarged view not labeled separately.	beginning with number 1. Sheet(s)
Fig(s)	
Long view relationship between different parts not clear and	15. NUMBER OF VIEWS. 37 CFR 1.84(u)
unambiguous. ?7 CFR 1.84(h)(2)(ii)	Views not numbered consecutively, and in Arabic numerals,
Fig(s)	beginning with number 1. Fig(s)
Sectional views. 37 CFR 1.84(h)(3)	beginning with number 1. Fig(s) View numbers not preceded by the abbreviation Fig.
Hatching not indicated for sectional portions of an object.	Fig(s)
Fig(s)	Single view contains a view number and the abbreviation Fig.
Hatching of regularly spaced oblique parallel lines not spaced	Numbers not larger than reference characters.
sufficiently. Fig(s) Hatching not at substantial angle to surrounding axes or principal	Fig(s)
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lines. Fig(s) Cross section not drawn same as view with parts in cross section	16. CORRECTIONS, 37 CFR 1.84(w)
with regularly spaced parallel oblique strokes.	Corrections not durable and permanent. Fig(s)
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Fig(s) Hatching of juxtaposed different elements not angled in a different	17. DESIGN DRAWING, 37 CFR 1,152
way. Fig(s)	Surface shading shown not appropriate. Fig(s)
Alternate position. 37 CFR 1.84(h)(4)	Solid black shading not used for color contrast.
A separate view required for a moved position.	Fig(s)
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Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.

[] Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted.

[] A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.

[X] No fee for additional claims is required.

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Applicants hereby petition the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated August 22, 1994 for three months from November 22, 1994 to February 22, 1995.

Submitted herewith is a check for \$870.00 to cover the cost of the extension.

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In response to the Office Action dated August 22, 1994, Applicants submit the following remarks:

REMARKS

Reconsideration of the present application is respectfully requested.

The Restriction Requirement

In the Office Action dated August 22, 1994, the Examiner has acknowledged Applicants' election of claims 9-11 with traverse and made the restriction requirement final, removing claims 1-8 from further consideration. Applicants respectfully reserve the